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Meghan Rodgers is the senior vice president of Public Affairs for the National Thoroughbred Racing Association (NTRA). The NTRA is a coalition of more than 100 horse racing interests and thousands of individual stakeholders consisting of horseplayers, racetrack operators, owners, breeders, trainers, and affiliated horse racing associations charged with promoting the sport of Thoroughbred racing. Rodgers opened the organization's Washington, D.C., office in 2022 and serves as lead communications officer and chief strategist for lobbying efforts on Capitol Hill.

A native of Southern New Jersey, Rodgers is a third generation Villanovan and graduated with a bachelor's degree in Political Science. After graduation, Meghan moved to D.C. to work on Capitol Hill doing communications for Congressman Patrick Meehan (PA-07) and later Congressman Tom Rooney (FL-17). In

2017, Meghan joined the Trump Administration as press secretary and later as deputy communications director for U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue. Rodgers spent four years travelling the world with Secretary Perdue, serving as spokesperson for the secretary and as one of the senior communications staffers for the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Rodgers helped lead the USDA's COVID-19 pandemic response effort, which included helping feed all children out of school and ensuring the continuity of the food supply chain, while coordinating with the White House.

Rodgers volunteers her time serving as chair of the Villanova Public Policy Society in Washington, D.C., helping students start careers on Capitol Hill, and was last year named the University's Young Alumni Medal Award Winner. She also volunteers on the Horse Racing Women's Summit membership committee.